

# Daily Digest

## Senate

### Chamber Action

(Legislative Days of Tuesday, September 21, 2021, and Wednesday, September 22, 2021)

#### *Routine Proceedings, pages S6595–S6630*

**Measures Introduced:** Nineteen bills and four resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 2791–2809, S.J. Res. 26, and S. Res. 377–379. **Pages S6624–25**

#### **Measures Reported:**

S. 2792, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2022 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year. (S. Rept. No. 117–39)

S. 233, to designate the Rocksprings Station of the U.S. Border Patrol located on West Main Street in Rocksprings, Texas, as the “Donna M. Doss Border Patrol Station”.

S. 1226, to designate the United States courthouse located at 1501 North 6th Street in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as the “Sylvia H. Rambo United States Courthouse”.

S. 2126, to designate the Federal Office Building located at 308 W. 21st Street in Cheyenne, Wyoming, as the “Louisa Swain Federal Office Building”.

S. 2205, to designate the United States courthouse located at 201 South Evans Street in Greenville, North Carolina, as the “Malcolm J. Howard United States Courthouse”. **Pages S6623–24**

#### **Measures Passed:**

***Honoring Missourians who served in Afghanistan:*** Committee on Armed Services was discharged from further consideration of S. Res. 357, honoring Missourians who made the ultimate sacrifice in Afghanistan, and the resolution was then agreed to. **Page S6630**

***National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 378, designating September 2021 as “National Prostate Cancer Awareness Month”. **Page S6630**

***National Small Business Week:*** Senate agreed to S. Res. 379, expressing support for the designation of the week of September 13, 2021, through Sep-

tember 17, 2021, as “National Small Business Week” to celebrate the contributions of small businesses and entrepreneurs in every community in the United States. **Page S6630**

**Pan Nomination—Agreement:** Senate resumed consideration of the nomination of Florence Y. Pan, of the District of Columbia, to be United States District Judge for the District of Columbia. **Page S6619**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 66 yeas to 27 nays (Vote No. EX. 374), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6619**

A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the nomination, post-cloture, at approximately 9 a.m., on Thursday, September 23, 2021; and that all time on the nomination expire at 10 a.m. **Page S6630**

**Nominations Confirmed:** Senate confirmed the following nominations:

By 64 yeas to 34 nays (Vote No. EX. 372), Lily Lawrence Batchelder, of Massachusetts, to be an Assistant Secretary of the Treasury. **Page S6608**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 63 yeas to 35 nays (Vote No. 370), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6600**

By 80 yeas to 18 nays (Vote No. EX. 373), Jayme Ray White, of Washington, to be a Deputy United States Trade Representative (Western Hemisphere, Europe, the Middle East, Labor, and Environment), with the rank of Ambassador. **Page S6619**

During consideration of this nomination today, Senate also took the following action:

By 78 yeas to 20 nays (Vote No. EX. 371), Senate agreed to the motion to close further debate on the nomination. **Page S6601**

Ronald L. Davis, of California, to be Director of the United States Marshals Service. **Pages S6629–30**

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**Authorities for Committees to Meet:**

**Record Votes:** Five record votes were taken today. (Total—374) Pages S6600, S6601, S6608, S6619

**Motion To Adjourn:** Senate agreed to the motion to adjourn until 8:22 p.m., on Wednesday, September 22, 2021. Page S6629

**Adjournment:** Senate convened at 10 a.m., and adjourned at 8:20 p.m., and reconvened at 8:22 p.m., on the same day, and adjourned at 8:28 p.m., until 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 23, 2021. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S6630.)

## Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee ordered favorably reported the nominations of Alexander Hoehn-Saric, of Maryland, and Richard Trumka, Jr., of Maryland, both to be a Commissioner of the Consumer Product Safety Commission, and Grant T. Harris, of California, to be an Assistant Secretary of Commerce.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Commerce:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Victoria Marie Baecher Wassmer, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Financial Officer, Mohsin Raza Syed, of Virginia, to be an Assistant Secretary, and Amitabha Bose, of New Jersey, to be Administrator of the Federal Railroad Administration, all of the Department of Transportation, and Meera Joshi, of Pennsylvania, to be Administrator of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### BUSINESS MEETING

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee ordered favorably reported the following business items:

S. 2205, to designate the United States courthouse located at 201 South Evans Street in Greenville, North Carolina, as the "Malcolm J. Howard United States Courthouse";

S. 2126, to designate the Federal Office Building located at 308 W. 21st Street in Cheyenne, Wyoming, as the "Louisa Swain Federal Office Building";

S. 1226, to designate the United States courthouse located at 1501 North 6th Street in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, as the "Sylvia H. Rambo United States Courthouse";

S. 233, to designate the Rocksprings Station of the U.S. Border Patrol located on West Main Street in Rocksprings, Texas, as the "Donna M. Doss Border Patrol Station";

9 General Services Administration resolutions; and

The nominations of Jeffrey M. Prieto, of California, to be an Assistant Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, Stephen A. Owens, of Arizona, and Sylvia E. Johnson, of North Carolina, each to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board.

### CIRCULAR ECONOMY

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the circular economy as a concept for creating a more sustainable future, after receiving testimony from Elizabeth S. Biser, North Carolina Department of Environmental Quality, Raleigh; and Roberta Elias, World Wildlife Fund, Brian Hawkinson, American Forest and Paper Association, and William H. Johnson, Institute of Scrap Recycling Industries, all of Washington, D.C.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Finance:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Christi A. Grimm, of Colorado, to be Inspector General, Department of Health and Human Services, and Neil Harvey MacBride, of Virginia, to be General Counsel for the Department of the Treasury, after the nominees, who were introduced by Senator Kaine, testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### NOMINATIONS

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Thomas R. Nides, of Minnesota, to be Ambassador to the State of Israel, who was introduced by Senator Klobuchar, David L. Cohen, of Pennsylvania, to be Ambassador to Canada, who was introduced by Senators Casey and Toomey, Cynthia Ann Telles, of California, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Costa Rica, who was introduced by Senator Padilla, Sarah Margon, of New York, to be Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor, who was introduced by former Senator Feingold, and Tom Udall, of New Mexico, to be Ambassador to New Zealand, and to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Independent State of Samoa, who was introduced by Senators Heinrich